GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION OF AEROBRIDGES AT KOLKATA AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the current infrastructures at the Kolkata Airport need to be upgraded to handle the recent spurt in traffic;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has decided to construct more aerobridges at the Kolkata Airport;

(d) if so, the details alongwith the funds allocated and released for the project; and

(e) the time by which the said project is likely to be completed?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) & (b):- Airports Authority of India (AAI) is in constant endeavour to upgrade the airport depending upon the requirements of airlines/traffic. It is proposed to have the construction of a new departure building in the international terminal complex, to cater to 500 passengers during peak hours. A consultant has been appointed for designing the new international departure building. Construction of additional parking bays, resurfacing and extension of the secondary runway have also been planned. The construction of 2 additional in-contact parking bays and 2 additional remote parking bays is in progress and is estimated to be completed by October, 2005.

(c), (d) & (e):- AAI has proposed to provide two additional aerobridges alongwith connecting corridor in the domestic terminal building at an estimated cost of Rs.700 lacs and one additional aerobridge in the international terminal building at an estimated cost of Rs.350 lacs. An amount of Rs.one lac has been provided in the RE for 2004-05 for the above mentioned works and an amount of Rs.10 lacs and Rs.5 lacs respectively have been allocated for the BE 2005-06. The estimated time for completion is about 12 months after the award of the work.